(b) if answer to (a) be in the affirmative, whether the Government will place the same on the table ?

A.—(a) & (b) The information has not yet been received by Government.

Mr. ABDUL HAMEED KHAN :—" May I know when the information was called for and why it has not been received ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" It was called for about two months ago."

Recruitment of Deputy and Sub-Inspectors of Schools in South Kanara and other districts.

* 1612 *Q.*—Mr. J. A. SALDANHA : With reference to question No. 489 answered on 10th October 1928, regarding Deputy and Sub-Inspectors of Schools in South Kanara and some other districts, will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) whether a report has been received from the Director of Public Instruction ; and

(b) what action will be taken thereon ?

A.—(a) Yes ; the report shows—

(i) that the number of Deputy Inspectors (Senior and Junior grades) in the districts of South Kanara, Coimbatore, Malabar, the Nilgiris and Salem is 9, 14, 24, 1 and 11 respectively ;

(ii) that there was no *direct* appointment to the cadre of *senior* Deputy Inspectors in any of the above districts during the last five years ; and

(iii) that it is not possible to give the number of applications for the posts in *each* of the districts specified, but that out of a total of 23 Indian Christian applicants for appointment to the junior grade of Deputy Inspectors, seven were appointed and that of the latter, two (one a Protestant and the other a Roman Catholic) were appointed in the districts referred to above.

(b) It is not proposed to take any action on the report.

Grants to private educational institutions for the last five years.

* 1613 *Q.*—Mr. MAHMUD SCHAMNAD SAHIB : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the amount of educational grants distributed to the private educational institutions in the Presidency during the last five years ; and

(b) the respective amounts which the Muhammadan, Christian, depressed class and other Hindu institutions have secured during each of these five years ?

A.—(a) & (b) The hon. Member is referred to the following :—

(i) Statement No. (31) on pages 48–49 of Volume II of the Report on Public Instruction for 1926–27.

(ii) Statement No. (29) on page 42 of Volume II of the Report on Public Instruction for 1927–28.

(iii) Subsidiary tables appended to Volume II of the annual Reports on Public Instruction.

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Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know whether the Indian Christian Panchamas are included in the depressed classes ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" They are at present."

Education of depressed classes children in public managed schools in the Presidency.

* 1614 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) what is the number of depressed classes children now attending schools under public management in each district in this Presidency at present ; and

(b) what steps are being taken to see that the orders of the Government in this matter are carried out properly ?

A.—(a) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the subsidiary tables in Part II-A of Volume II of the Report on Public Instruction in the Madras Presidency for 1927–28.

(b) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the Government Orders reviewing the annual reports on the subject received from the Director of Public Instruction which have been placed on the Editors' Table and especially to G.O. No. 153, Law (Education), dated 25th January 1929, reviewing the report for 1927–28.

Revision of the Grant-in-Aid Code

* 1615 Q.—Mr. A. B. SHETTY : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) how long the revision of the Grant-in-Aid Code has been under consideration ; and

(b) whether any final conclusions have been arrived at in this matter ?

A.—(a) Since 1926.
(b) No.

Progress of elementary education in the Presidency.

* 1616 Q.—Mr. K. V. R. SWAMI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the amount spent for elementary education by Government in each of the years from 1910–11 to 1927–28 ;

(b) the amount spent by local bodies in each of the years during the same period ; and

(c) the number of boys and girls in elementary schools in each year during the same period ?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) A statement[a] is laid on the table.

[a] Printed as Appendix I on page 443 infra.